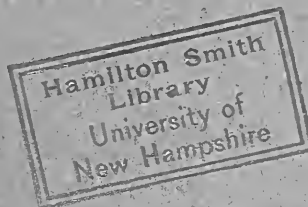


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ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
TOWN of CHICHESTER
New Hampshire



For the Year Ending
January 31, 1924

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

Selectmen, Town Officers and Agents

OF THE

Town of Chichester

TOGETHER WITH THE

Report of the School Board, Treasurer
and Superintendent

FOR THE

FISCAL YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1923

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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator

JOHN L. T. SHAW

Selectmen

HAZEN M. LEAVITT

LEON A. SANBORN

ABRAHAM L. WEST

Clerk

HARRY S. KELLEY

Treasurer

WALTER S. LANGMAID

Tax Collector

FREDERICK B. SHAW

Highway Agents

FRANK M. EDGERLY

CHARLES T. LANE

HIRAM H. FROST

Auditors

WALTER C. BATCHELDER

CHARLES W. LAKE

Health Officer

GEORGE L. BEALS

Constables

SAMUEL B. MUNSEY

JOHN E. WALKER

Supervisors

ALBERT M. BAILEY

ALVIN E. SANBORN

CHARLES T. LANE

Hearse Agent

JOHN L. SATURLEY

Board of Education

JOSEPHINE LANGMAID

CHARLES W. LAKE

MARY S. EDMUNDS

Superintendent of Schools

L. B. BADGER

School Treasurer

HARRY S. KELLEY

Truant Officer

WALTER S. LANGMAID

Librarian

SADIE A. LANGMAID

Trustee of Trust Funds

JOHN L. T. SHAW

CHARLES A. LANGMAID

HAZEN M. LEAVITT

TOWN WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

*To the Inhabitants of the Town of Chichester, in the County
of Merrimack in said State, qualified to vote in Town
affairs:*

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Chichester on Tuesday, the 11th day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriation of the same.
3. To see if the town will vote to pay three percent discount on all property taxes paid on or before July 1st, 1924.
4. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$400 to fight the white pine blister.
5. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$699, the State to give \$1,048 for Trunk line construction.
6. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$1,200, the State to give \$3,600 for Trunk line ~~construction~~ MAINTENANCE
7. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$375, the State to give \$375 for town road maintenance.

8. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$200, the State to give \$200 for State Aid maintenance.

9. To see if the town will vote to raise \$50 to repair road leading from home of C. C. Perry to J. L. T. Shaw's, said money to be used in cutting off top of first hill and filling up over ledges on second hill and between the two hills.

10. To see if the town will vote to accept certain funds in trust, which have been received, or may be hereafter, the income thereof, to be used for the perpetual care of cemetery lots.

11. To bring in your votes for the election of Delegates-at-Large, Alternative Delegates-at-Large, District Delegates, Alternate District Delegates to the National Conventions of the Democratic and Republican parties, to be held for the purpose of nominating party candidates for President and Vice-President of the United States.

Given under our hands and seal, this 23rd day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and twenty-four.

H. M. LEAVITT,
L. A. SANBORN,
A. L. WEST,

Selectmen of Chichester.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

H. M. LEAVITT,
L. A. SANBORN,
A. L. WEST,

Selectmen of Chichester.

LIST OF APPROPRIATIONS

Two dollars on each poll tax	\$588.00
State and County Tax	400.00
Town officers salaries	700.00
Town officers expenses	200.00
Town Hall expenses	35.00
Police department	12.00
Election and registration	25.00
Health department	20.00
Vital statistics	10.00
Town Highway, Summer	1,800.00
Town Highway, Winter	1,500.00
General expenses of department	250.00
Library	100.00
Memorial expenses	15.00
Interest	400.00
Town poor	100.00
New construction	1,500.00
Trunk line maintenance	1,100.00
Schools	5,192.00
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	\$13,947.00

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

For the Fiscal Year Ending January 31, 1924

Inventory, April 30, 1923

Polls, 304.	
Acres, 12,587½.	
Real Estate, less exemptions	\$394,632.00
Horses, 170	14,575.00
Oxen, 8	615.00
Cows, 322	17,100.00
Neat Stock, 52	1,950.00
Sheep, 23	138.00
Hogs, 3	44.00
Fowls, 6,253	7,809.00
Portable Mills, 7	3,200.00
Wood and lumber	12,805.00
Money on hand, at interest or on deposit	9,333.00
Stock in trade	4,600.00
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	\$466,801.00

Amount of taxes committed to collector, including poll taxes	\$14,592.73
Tax rate, \$2.80 per hundred.	

Soldier's Exemptions

Real estate and personal property	\$8,637.00
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REPORT OF HARRY S. KELLEY, TOWN CLERK

For the Year Ending January 31, 1924

Received license fees for 70 dogs,		\$161.00
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For making 70 licenses @20c,	\$14.00	
Paid W. S. Langmaid, Treasurer	147.00	
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Received from auto permits		\$794.85
Paid W. S. Langmaid, Treasurer	\$794.85	
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HARRY S. KELLEY,
Town Clerk.

January 31, 1924.

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1923	\$2,673.75
Received on Town notes	2,000.00
Received of H. S. Kelley, Town clerk:	
Auto permits	794.85
Dog licenses	147.00
Received from State Highway Department	1,357.00
Received from State Treasurer:	
Insurance tax	6.75
Railroad tax	1,401.84
Savings bank tax	1,915.85
Received from Merrimack county:	
For poor away from farm	114.65
Received of A. L. West, Administrator:	
Estate of Mary A. Record	185.12
Received of F. B. Shaw, collector, 1922	1,351.06
Received from F. B. Shaw, interest, 1922	45.68
Received from F. B. Shaw, collector, 1923	12,775.90
Received from F. B. Shaw, interest, 1923	6.82
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	\$24,776.27

EXPENDITURES

Paid on orders drawn by Selectmen	\$24,124.42
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Cash in Treasurer's hands, Jan. 31, 1924	\$651.85

DUE THE TOWN

Cash in treasurer's hands	\$651.85
Tax Levy, 1920, J. K. Towle, collector	3.40
Tax Levy, 1921, S. B. Munsey, collector	19.47
Tax levy, 1922, F. B. Shaw, collector	24.42
Tax levy, 1923, F. B. Shaw, collector	1,826.83
Due from State	72.45
Due from Town of Alton for use of steam drill	75.00
	<hr/> \$2,673.42

LIABILITIES

Town notes	\$4,000.00
Parsonage fund	864.66
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Total liabilities	4,864.66
Total amount due town	2,673.42
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Indebtedness of town	\$2,191.24

W. S. LANGMAID,
Treasurer.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of Treasurer of Town of Chichester for year ending January 31, 1924 and found them correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers.

CHARLES W. LAKE,
WALTER C. BATCHELDER,
Auditors.

FINANCIAL REPORT

OF THE TOWN OF CHICHESTER, IN MERRIMACK COUNTY FOR
THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1924

ASSETS

Cash in hands of treasurer	\$651.85
Accounts Due to the Town:	
Due from State	72.45
Due from town of Alton, for use of steam drill	75.00
Taxes not collected:	
(a) Levy of 1920	3.40
(b) Levy of 1921	19.47
(c) Levy of 1922	24.42
(d) Levy of 1923	1,826.83
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Total assets	\$2,673.42
Excess of liability over assets (net debt)	2,191.24
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Grand Total	\$4,864.66
Net Debt—Surplus January 31, 1923	\$358.77
Net Debt—Surplus, January 31, 1924	2,191.24
Increase—Decrease of debt, of surplus	1,832.47
Federal Aid Construction. \$4,500 appropriated, \$1,500 raised, balance to be raised in 1924.	

LIABILITIES

Long Term Notes Outstanding	\$4,864.66
Grand Total	<hr/> \$4,864.66

RECEIPTS

CURRENT REVENUE

From local taxes:

Property taxes committed to collector, 1923	\$13,092.73	
Less discounts and abatements, 1923	159.93	
Less uncollected, 1923	1,335.83	
Property taxes, current year, actually collected	\$11,596.97	
Poll taxes, current year, actually collected at \$3	24.00	
Poll taxes, current year, actually collected at \$5	995.00	
Property and poll taxes, previous years, actually collected	1,351.06	
Total of above collections	<hr/>	\$13,967.03

From state:

For highways

For Trunk Line maintenance \$1,357.00

Insurance tax 6.75

Railroad tax 1,401.84

Savings bank tax 1,915.85

From County:

For support of poor 114.65

From Local Sources Except Taxes:

Dog licenses 147.00

Interest received on taxes 52.50

Permits for the registration of motor vehicles 794.85

Sale of Mrs. Record's personal property 185.12

Total current receipts revenue \$19,942.59

RECEIPTS OTHER THAN CURRENT REVENUE

Temporary loans in anticipation of

taxes during year \$2,000.00

Abatements 109.25

Discounts 50.68

Total receipts other than cur-

rent revenue \$2,159.93

Total receipts from all sources \$22,102.52

Cash on hand February 1, 1923 2,673.75

Grand total \$24,776.27

PAYMENTS

CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES

General government:		
Town officers' salaries	\$668.56	
Town officers' expenses	90.98	
Election and registration expenses	6.00	
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	33.84	
Protection of Persons and Property:		
Police department, including care of tramps	10.90	
Fire department, including forest fires	23.20	
Bounties	3.25	
Health:		
Health department, including hospitals	1.62	
Vital statistics	5.25	
Highways and Bridges:		
State Aid maintenance	72.22	
Trunk Line maintenance	2,948.07	
Town Highways	3,212.13	
General expenses	308.28	
Libraries:		
Libraries	100.00	
Charities:		
Town poor	227.88	
County poor	114.65	
Patriotic Purposes:		
Memorial Day	15.00	
Public Service Enterprises:		
Cemeteries	5.00	
Unclassified		
Taxes bought by town	18.56	
Abatements refunded	109.25	
Discount on taxes	50.68	
Total Current Maintenance Expenses		\$8,025.32

Interest:

Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	\$20.00
Paid on long term notes	291.88

Total Interest Payments	\$311.88
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Outlay for new construction and permanent improvements:

Federal Aid construction	4,362.86
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Total outlay payments	\$4,362.86
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Indebtedness:

Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	\$2,000.00
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Total Indebtedness Payments	\$2,000.00
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Payment to other governmental divisions:

Taxes paid to State	\$1,426.00
Taxes paid in County	1,147.66
\$2.00 on each poll tax	532.00
Payments to school districts	6,318.70

Total payments to other governmental divisions	\$9,424.36
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Total payment for all purposes	\$24,124.42
Cash on hand January 31, 1924	651.85

Grand Total	\$24,776.27
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CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

H. M. LEAVITT,
L. A. SANBORN,
A. L. WEST,

SELECTMEN.

W. S. LANDMAID, TREASURER.

Date January 31, 1924.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

TOWN OFFICERS SALARIES

H. M. Leavitt, selectman	\$115.00
L. A. Sanborn, selectman	100.00
A. L. West, selectman	100.00
W. S. Langmaid, treasurer	35.00
H. S. Kelley, clerk	30.00
H. S. Kelley, issuing auto permits	33.50
A. E. Sanborn, supervisor, 1923	20.00
T. B. Shaw, collecting 1922-23 taxes	211.06
A. M. Bailey, supervisor, 1922	20.00
Josephine C. Langmaid, auditor, 1922	2.00
A. L. West, auditor, 1922	2.00
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	\$668.56

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

H. M. Leavitt, expenses getting reports to printers	\$2.80
H. M. Leavitt, expenses on railroad tax meeting	5.05
H. M. Leavitt, expenses meeting tax commissioners	3.80
Ladies Benevolent society, dinners	4.90
Selectmen, treasurer and collector expenses at assessors meeting in Manchester	16.04
Edison C. Eastman, supplies	1.60
Selectmen, meeting tax commissioners	6.00
Selectmen, team hire delivering reports	5.50

L. A. Sanborn, telephone and supplies	5.31
Selectmen, overseers of poor	10.00
H. M. Leavitt, telephone and postage	2.00
Selectmen, readjusting taxes	5.00
Selectmen, preambulating town line between Pittsfield and Chichester, and Epsom and Chichester	12.00
W. S. Langmaid, telephone and postage	2.00
F. B. Shaw, expenses at sale of Lack place	4.48
F. B. Shaw, tax bills and postage	4.50
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	\$90.98

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

John E. Walker, services at fall election	\$6.00
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TOWN HALL

Mrs. E. A. Lane, insurance	\$6.24
Chichester Telephone Co., telephone rent	20.80
L. A. Sanborn, 5 gallons oil	.80
W. S. Langmaid, wood	6.00
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	\$33.84

INTEREST

W. S. Langmaid, interest on note	\$60.00
Mary F. Langmaid, interest on note	60.00
C. A. Langmaid, interest on note	60.00
J. L. T. Shaw, interest on note	60.00
National State Capital Bank, on temporary loan	20.00
Trustee of trust funds, interest on note	51.88
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	\$311.88

POLICE DEPARTMENT

John E. Walker, constable	\$6.00
H. M. Leavitt, paid for police badge	2.50
W. S. Langmaid, care of tramps	2.40
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	\$10.90

FIRE DEPARTMENT

J. C. Langmaid, watching Edmunds fire	\$4.00
Thompson & Hoague Co., charges for extinguishers	7.20
A. F. Goodwin, watching Edmunds fire	4.00
P. J. Clifford, watching Edmunds fire	4.00
F. A. Baker, watching Edmunds fire	4.00
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	\$23.20

BOUNTIES

Paid Kenneth Lake, hedgehogs	\$1.25
Howard Burton, hedgehog	.25
French A. Baker, hedgehog	.25
Charles W. Langmaid, hedgehog	.25
D. R. Towle, hedgehogs	.50
Léon Barry, hedgehogs	.75
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	\$3.25

HEALTH

G. L. Beals, services	\$1.62
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VITAL STATISTICS

H. S. Kelley, recording births, deaths and marriages	\$5.25
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LIBRARIES

Sadie A. Langmaid, librarian	\$25.00
F. B. Shaw, treasurer	75.00
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CEMETERIES

Paid E. S. Edmunds, mowing cemetery	\$5.00
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TOWN POOR

Paid W. H. Hoyt, burial of E. Stockman	\$85.00
J. G. Cate, opening grave of E. Stockman	5.00
Merrimack County farm, board of Mrs. Stockman	137.88
	<hr/> \$227.88

COUNTY POOR

Paid J. G. Cate, board of Henry Oxford	\$91.00
J. G. Cate, care of Henry Oxford's sickness	10.00
H. S. Kelley, supplies	13.65
	<hr/> \$114.65

PATRIOTIC PURPOSES

G. A. R.

Henry M. Sanborn, decorating soldiers graves	\$15.00
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GENERAL EXPENSES OF DEPARTMENT

Edson C. Eastman, supplies	\$28.70
H. S. Kelley, manual for auto permits	14.64
P. L. Towle, hauling pipe	7.00
Evans Printing Co., printing reports and ballots	183.28
F. W. Watson, culvert pipe	7.00
State Highway Department, steel culverts	4.80
Page Belting Co., hose for steam drill	13.80
Sullivan Machine Co., drills and supplies	27.06
John Stevenson Co., sharpening drills	18.00
C. R. Call, making road sign	3.00
C. R. Call, making water box for drill	1.00
	<hr/> \$308.28

ABATEMENTS

C. A. Bartlett, overtax on Bartlett, Charles (H. of)	\$5.60
R. V. Carpenter, public watering trough	3.00
Maria Morrill, overtax	11.20
Mrs. E. J. Edmunds, public watering trough, 1922-23	4.00
F. B. Shaw, collector in 1922:	
Jennie Edmunds	5.00
George Hoyt	5.00
M. Agnes Lake	5.00
Alvin Marston	5.00
Allan McDonald, paid in Franklin	9.11
Etta McDonald, paid in Franklin	5.00
Henry Osborne, paid in Canterbury	5.00
Donald B. Packer	3.00
Emma A. Packer	5.00
Thomas E. Stevens	6.23
Martha E. Stevens	5.00
Ira Kimball	4.11
F. B. Shaw, collector in 1923:	
Harry Drew	5.00
Gladys Drew	5.00
George V. Evans	3.00
Daisy S. Evans	5.00
Helen Parker	5.00
	\$109.25

DISCOUNT ON TAXES

Paid F. B. Shaw, collector	\$50.68
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TAXES BOUGHT BY TOWN

F. B. Shaw, 1922 taxes on Lock place	\$18.56
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TRUNK LINE MAINTENANCE

C. W. Lake	\$1,119.26
S. B. Munsey	1,495.75
F. H. Gray	333.06
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	\$1,948.07

STATE AID MAINTENANCE

C. W. Lake	\$68.72
F. H. Gray	3.50
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	\$72.22

TOWN ROADS WINTER ROADS

H. H. Frost	\$588.53
Vaught Bailey	382.14
H. L. Sanborn	188.05
F. M. Edgerly	178.65
C. T. Lane	114.81

SUMMER ROADS

H. H. Frost	\$584.46
F. M. Edgerly	750.00
C. F. Lane	351.58
New Hampshire Box & Lumber Co., bridge plank furnished E. H. Burnham, agent in 1920	73.92

* EXPENDITURE ON TRUNK LINE

Paid Amos D. Bridges Sons Co., contractors	\$4,362.86
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INDEBTEDNESS PAYMENTS

Temporary loans	\$2,000.00
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PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS

State tax	\$1,426.00
County tax	1,147.66
\$2.00 on each poll	532.00
H. S. Kelley, school treasurer	6,318.70

The foregoing accounts are respectfully submitted:

H. M. LEAVITT,
L. A. SANBORN,
A. L. WEST,
Selectmen of Chichester.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector and Town Clerk, for the year ending January 31, 1924, and find them correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers.

C. W. LAKE,
W. C. BATCHELDER,
Auditors.

REPORT OF CHARLES T. LANE, ROAD AGENT

RECEIPTS

From March, 1923 to January 31, 1924

Received of town treasurer on orders from selectmen:

1923.	
March 17	\$200.00
May 26	200.00
1924	
January 31	66.38
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	\$466.38

EXPENDITURES

BREAKING ROADS AND TURNING WATER

March

Paid Stephen C. Perkins	\$8.00
Henry O. Dahmen	4.75
Charles T. Lane	5.50
Walter M. Locke	5.00
Arthur T. Greene	2.00
Joseph S. Marston	1.25
Charles Twombly	1.25
Everett C. Rice	3.48
Clifton Rice	6.36
Norman Rice	2.20
Harry Drew	2.00
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	\$41.79

April

BREAKING ROADS AND TURNING WATER

Paid Walter M. Locke	\$5.00
Harry Drew	3.75
Stephen C. Perkins	3.00
Henry O. Dahmen	4.50
Charles T. Lane	4.50
Arthur T. Greene	2.50
Clifton Rice	.27
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	\$23.52

April

SUMMER ROADS

Paid Charles T. Lane	\$16.00
Ralph Hilliard	7.00
Harold Hilliard	7.00
James F. Warren	5.00
Harry Drew	1.25
Sharpening tools	1.00
Dynamite	1.25
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	\$38.50

May

Paid Charles T. Lane	\$51.00
Harold Hilliard	15.00
Ralph Hilliard	15.00
Arthur T. Greene	7.50
Henry O. Dahmen	9.75
Joseph S. Marston	14.50
Dennis J. Frederick	1.25
Earl Bishop	7.50
Everett C. Rice	7.00
James F. Warren	2.50
Fred W. Watson	1.57
Harry Drew	1.25
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	\$133.82

June

Paid Charles T. Lane	\$8.50
Harold Hilliard	3.50
Henry O. Dahmen	6.50
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	\$18.50

July

Paid Charles T. Lane	\$17.00
Arthur T. Greene	1.00
James F. Warren	.50
Walter M. Locke	15.00
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	\$33.50

August

Paid Charles T. Lane	\$32.50
Harold Hilliard	15.00
Ralph Hilliard	15.00
Arthur T. Greene	10.50
Earle Bishop	9.50
James F. Warren	1.00
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	\$83.50

September

Paid Harold Hilliard	\$15.00
Dennis J. Frederick	12.00
Charles T. Lane	6.50
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	\$33.50

November

Paid Charles T. Lane	\$3.25
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December

Paid Charles T. Lane	\$7.00
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JANUARY

BREAKING AND SHOVELING

Paid Charles T. Lane	\$13.00
Mrs. L. A. Greene	9.00
Stephen C. Perkins	3.00
Clarence T. Elliott	6.00
Warren Stephens	6.00
Everett C. Rice	6.00
Clifton Rice	3.00
Harold Hilliard	2.00
Walter M. Locke	1.50
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	\$49.50

REPORT OF FRANK M. EDGERLY, ROAD AGENT

From March, 1923 to Jan. 31, 1924

Received of town treasurer on order of selectmen.

1923	
April 15	\$150.00
May 30	300.00
July 2	100.00
December 29	350.00
1924	
January, breaking	28.65
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	\$928.65

EXPENDITURES

March

Paid F. M. Edgerly	\$8.05
C. W. Lake	6.66
Arthur Morrill	3.64
E. M. Reed	21.75
Ralph Hilliard	1.25
French Baker	3.75
W. I. Runnells	5.00
H. L. Sanborn	5.28
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	\$55.38

April

Paid F. M. Edgerly	\$27.22
C. W. Lake	19.10
E. S. Flanders	3.06
E. J. Bishop	2.50
E. C. Moses	11.11
E. S. Edmunds	14.00
W. S. Langmaid	26.00
Leon Sanborn	3.00
Smith Sanborn	30.00
Medorena Lake	17.06
H. W. Moore	3.34
Clinton Daniells	5.25
E. M. Reed	10.75
E. M. Reed, bridge plank	36.30
Maurice King	8.64
Eugene King	3.64
Charles Bailey	.84
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	\$221.81

May

Paid F. M. Edgerly	\$16.90
C. W. Lake	3.86
E. S. Flanders	2.50
E. S. Edmunds	27.00
Smith Sanborn	6.00
Hazen Leavitt	10.00
Medoren Lake	12.50
F. B. Shaw, bridge stringers, rails and posts	8.00
G. S. Edgerly	4.00
H. L. Sanborn	1.98
Norman Call	2.50
M. S. Sanborn, 11 loads gravel	1.10
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	\$96.34

June

Paid F. M. Edgerly	\$25.02
E. C. Moses	13.75
E. S. Edmunds	53.00
W. S. Langmaid	48.00
Smith Sanborn	48.00
Medoren Lake	24.00
G. S. Edgerly	17.50
Norman Call	2.50
Thomas Stevens	16.25
Ralph Sanborn	18.75
Leslie Winslow	2.50
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	\$269.27

July

Paid F. M. Edgerly	\$8.73
E. S. Edmunds	4.40
Hazen Leavitt	3.00
H. L. Sanborn	7.25
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	\$23.38

August

Paid F. M. Edgerly	\$10.86
E. J. Bishop	1.12
E. S. Edmunds	4.00
Leon Sanborn, spikes	.96
Fisher Edmunds	1.12
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	\$18.06

September

Paid F. M. Edgerly	\$10.00
E. S. Edmunds	6.00
E. M. Reed	31.50
Ralph Sanborn	1.67
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	\$49.17

October

Paid F. M. Edgerly	\$11.67
E. S. Edmunds	4.62
C. A. Langmaid	2.64
C. W. Edmunds	3.30
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	\$22.23

November

Paid F. M. Edgerly	\$24.46
E. S. Edmunds, gravel	4.20
Eugene King	15.25
C. W. Edmunds	58.62
J. F. Leavitt, hard pan	3.00
Alvin Sanborn	2.50
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	\$108.03

December

Paid F. M. Edgerly	\$12.50
E. S. Edmunds	1.00
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	\$13.50

WINTER BREAKING, 1924

January 6

Paid Eugene King	\$1.50
H. L. Sanborn	4.02
E. M. Reed	22.75
H. Marshall	4.02
O. Griffin	1.34
George Sheldon	1.80
M. King	6.35
J. Mitchell	1.80
W. S. Langmaid	3.88
F. B. Shaw	4.02
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	\$51.48

REPORT OF VAUGHN W. BAILEY, ROAD AGENT

From January 31 to March, 1923

Received of town treasurer on orders from selectmen.

1923	
March 17	\$362.39
April 28	19.75

EXPENDITURES

Vaughn Bailey and team	\$78.09
Merton Bailey	20.14
Smith Sanborn	3.90
E. C. Moses	10.00
Hazen Leavitt	10.84
Raymond Kendall	12.50
Charles Call	3.62
Norman Call	2.50
Ralph Sanborn	10.00
S. B. Munsey and team	22.00
C. R. Sanborn	1.12
Arthur Morrill	20.00
William Runnells	11.25
John Saturley	5.00
Alvin Marston	.56
Herbert Stockman	.56
E. M. Reed and team	13.50
Alvin Sanborn	2.50
A. M. Bailey	3.00

Maurice King and team	45.70
Medoren Lake	8.75
E. J. Lake and team	23.00
W. E. Lake and team	19.30
Leslie Winslow	8.70
B. Shaw and team	16.12
Perley Harvey	15.70
George Osgood	1.54
Leon Sanborn	2.50
Oliver Griffin and team	8.63
Philip Clifford	1.12
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	\$382.14

REPORT OF HIRAM H. FROST, ROAD AGENT

Received by order of selectmen.

1923	
February	\$322.59
March	185.14
April	73.76
May	104.51
June	76.08
July	17.93
August	42.50
September	24.78
October	92.50
November	83.40
December	97.40
1924	
January	52.40
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	\$172.99

EXPENDITURES 1923

February

Paid H. H. Frost	\$25.69
J. Packer	11.22
George Evans	9.17
Alfred Herbert	28.06
• Albert Stevens	3.90
O. Griffin	4.02
J. Denis	12.56
P. L. Towle	9.17
Llewellyn Towle	6.25
F. D. French	6.96
William Burton	15.56
C. A. Towle	13.34
Leon Towle	15.00
Herbert West	18.48
A. L. West	4.53
George A. Towle	25.50
Edgar Towle	15.84
Frank Edgerly	6.68
Jim Edgerly	5.28
G. Pickard	2.24
C. Lovejoy	2.24
G. Osgood	6.12
O. Flanders	6.96
W. C. Hutchinson	27.82
Smith Sanborn	11.42
Maurice King	22.18
E. Moses	6.40
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	\$322.59

March

Paid Smith Sanborn	\$9.46
W. C. Hutchinson	7.36
Maurice King	18.00
O. Griffin	8.04
William Burton	24.74
J. Denis	16.82
F. D. French	6.00
George Towle	11.78
Edgar Towle	5.00
Leon Towle	13.62
C. A. Towle	9.18
Herbert West	25.00
A. L. West	1.25
Frank Edgerly	2.50
W. Pickard	1.40
I. Lane	1.40
H. H. Frost	23.59
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	\$185.14

April

Paid George Towle	\$5.03
Edgar Towle	1.68
William Burton	1.25
J. Denis	1.25
C. A. Towle	1.25
Herbert West	2.50
O. Flanders	6.12
J. Canney	6.96
F. D. French	2.50
H. H. Frost	15.67
J. Packer	4.67
George Evans	5.83

C. Lovejoy	1.25
Harry Moore	16.40
A. L. West	1.40
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	\$73.76

May

Paid H. H. Frost	\$46.69
George Towle	30.00
Edgar Towle	12.50
William Burton	8.36
Alfred Herbert	6.96
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	\$104.51

June

Paid George Towle	\$6.00
Edgar Towle	2.50
Harry Moore	7.25
L. A. Sanborn	2.44
H. H. Frost	18.00
David Moses	5.25
A. S. Dame, bridge stringers	10.00
Bailey Lumber Co., plank	24.64
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	\$76.08

July

Paid H. H. Frost	\$2.00
E. Denis	4.32
David Moses	6.25
Herbert West	1.25
Howard Burton	4.11
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	\$17.93

August

Paid H. H. Frost	\$15.00
Clifton Stevens	5.00
Harry Moore	22.50
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	\$42.50

September

Paid Harry Moore	\$15.00
David Moses	7.28
A. L. West	2.50
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	\$24.78

October

Paid H. H. Frost	\$66.20
Clifton Stevens	9.00
John French, gravel	1.50
I. L. Lane	.80
Harry Moore	15.00
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	\$92.50

November

Paid H. H. Frost	\$60.00
L. Denis	18.00
A. B. Richardson, gravel	5.40
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	\$83.40

December

Paid H. H. Frost, labor	\$54.00
H. H. Frost, gravel	1.00
A. B. Richardson, gravel	3.70
Ernest Ford	.30
David Moses	17.50
Herbert West	2.50
Howard Burton	2.24
C. Daniels, sharpening tools	1.00
Thompson Hoague	15.10
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	\$97.40

January, 1924. Snow Work

Paid H. H. Frost	\$4.18
Maurice King	7.36
George Towle	7.25
Edgar Towle	2.78
Ira A. Kimball	4.86
J. Packer	5.56
O. Griffin	2.68
C. A. Towle	4.68
A. L. West	2.50
J. Denis	4.99
A. L. Dame	2.78
Clifton Stevens	2.78
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	\$52.40

REPORT OF H. L. SANBORN, ROAD AGENT

RECEIPTS

Received by orders of selectmen on town treasurer.

March 17, received	\$125.00
March 31, received	50.65
April 10, received	8.90
July 28, received	3.50
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	\$188.05

EXPENDITURES

Paid Henry O. Dahmen	\$30.15
W. A. Allan	3.62
Arthur Marston	5.00
Chas. Twombly	8.25
Oscar Hultman	2.24
C. Adams	5.42
John Walker	3.90
Earl Griffin	1.40
C. Rice	19.32
E. C. Rice	54.44
E. Martel	15.56
James Warren	8.06
J. Albert Warren	5.84
Truman Green	12.50
D. J. Frederick	8.85
S. C. Perkins	3.50
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	\$188.05

Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Chichester, January 31, 1924

Date of Creation	TRUST FUNDS—PURPOSE OF CREATION		HOW INVESTED					Rate of Interest	Balance of Income on Hand at Beginning of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance of Income on Hand at End of Year
May 20, 1727	Parsonage Fund, Churches	No. 1	Town Note, Dated March 6, 1852	No. 34975	\$864.66	6%			\$51.88	\$51.88	\$1.88	77.74
March 16, 1892	Marion D. Lake Fund, Cemetery	No. 2	New Hampshire Savings Bank, No.	51720	100.00	4%		88.72	7.52	18.50	77.74	91.83
July 7, 1905	Content S. Lake Fund, Cemetery	No. 3	New Hampshire Savings Bank, No.	51721	150.00	4%		87.25	9.48	3.00	91.83	34.55
Jan. 2, 1908	Lavinia Locke Fund, Cemetery	No. 4	New Hampshire Savings Bank, No.	57215	200.00	4%		57.77	10.28	13.50	34.55	41.59
Feb. 11, 1908	Alice M. Rev'd Fund, Cemetery	No. 5	New Hampshire Savings Bank, No.	57215	100.00	4%		44.33	5.76	8.50	41.59	36.69
Jan. 30, 1909	Sarah F. Haines Fund, Cemetery	No. 6	Loan & Trust Savings Bank, No.	25066	100.00	4%		34.77	5.42	3.50	36.69	14.85
Feb. 11, 1909	Mary B. Young Fund, Cemetery	No. 7	New Hampshire Savings Bank, No.	58937	95.00	4%		20.36	4.00	6.00	14.85	5.38
July 11, 1912	James E. Rand Fund, Cemetery	No. 8	New Hampshire Savings Bank, No.	65126	45.00	4%		13.53	2.32	1.00	14.85	4.44
March 16, 1916	Almira E. Shaw Fund, Cemetery	No. 9	Loan & Trust Savings Bank, No.	29916	100.00	4%		7.24	4.34	6.00	5.38	54.55
Feb. 15, 1917	Capt. Edward & N. S. Edmunds Fund, Cemetery	No. 10	New Hampshire Savings Bank, No.	72680	100.00	4%		3.82	4.12	3.00	4.44	7.28
Jan. 31, 1918	George J. Kaime Fund, Cemetery	No. 11	U. S. Bonds Nos. 27675—6		200.00	4½%		46.05	8.50		54.55	5.74
June 26, 1920	Morrill S. Raymond Fund, Cemetery	No. 12	Union Trust Bank	No. 11625		4%						188.28
March 31, 1921	Louise C. House Fund, Cemetery	No. 13	New Hampshire Savings Bank, No.	77750	100.00	4%		5.08	4.20	2.00	7.28	1.83
Sept. 7, 1921	Maria L. Meier Fund, Cemetery	No. 14	New Hampshire Savings Bank, No.	78941	100.00	4%		4.91	4.16	4.00	5.07	
July 11, 1921	Dr. Frank B. Brown Fund, Cemetery	No. 15	Union Trust Co., Bank, No.	14180	100.00	4%		5.04	4.20	3.50	5.74	
July 5, 1922	Malachi and Lewis M. Haines Fund, Cemetery	No. 16	Union Trust Co., Bank, No.	14875	2,000.00	4%		109.92	84.36	6.00	188.28	
Nov. 21, 1922	Mary S. Haines Fund, Cemetery	No. 17	New Hampshire Savings Bank, No.	80138	150.00	4%		3.00	6.12	2.50	9.12	
Dec. 14, 1922	Isabella M. Hubbard Fund, Cemetery	No. 18	Union Trust Co., Bank, No.	14990	100.00	4%			4.33		1.83	
Jan. 3, 1922	Herbert T. Leavitt Fund, Cemetery	No. 19	Merrimack Co., Savings Bank, No.	27490	300.00	4%			12.00	12.00		
Feb. 28, 1923	Langmaid-Morrill Fund, Cemetery	No. 20	Merrimack Co., Savings Bank, No.	27707	100.00	4%			3.33	3.33		
Sept. 24, 1923	Cyrus L. Pomeroy Fund, Cemetery	No. 21	Union Trust Co., Bank, No.	15297	100.00	4%			3.33	2.00		
Nov. 19, 1923	James B. and Frances A. Hook Fund, Cemetery	No. 22	U. S. Gold Bond, No.	555696	100.00	4½%						
Nov. 19, 1923	Alonzo and Ida M. Hook Fund, Cemetery	No. 23	Union Trust Co., Bank, No.	A4875	100.00	4%						
Dec. 12, 1923	Charlotte Carpi Fund, Cemetery	No. 24	Union Trust Co., Bank, No.	A4873	50.00	4%						
Jan. 30, 1924	John F. Payne Fund, Cemetery	No. 25	New Hampshire Savings Bank, No.	82400	100.00	4%						
			U. S. Gold Bond, No.	F06167256	50.00	4½%						

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Dated January 31, 1924.

CHARLES A. LANGMAID,
L. T. SHAW,
HAZEN M. LEAVITT, } Trustees.

We hereby certify that we have examined the investments and accounts of the Trustees of Trust Funds of the Town of Clichester for the fiscal year ending January 31, 1924, and find them as herein reported and supported by proper vouchers.

CHARLES W. LAKE,
W. E. BATCHELDER, } Auditors.

Clichester, January 31, 1924.

TOWN LIBRARY

TRUSTEES

Walter S. Langmaid	Otis T. Maxfield
Charles H. Langmaid	John L. T. Shaw
Frederick B. Shaw	Albert S. Dame

SECRETARY-TREASURER

Frederick B. Shaw

LIBRARIAN

Sadie A. Langmaid

Received from town	\$75.00
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EXPENDITURES

Paid Sadie A. Langmaid, for books, as per bills rendered	\$66.00
Branch Librarians	9.00
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	\$75.00

FREDERICK B. SHAW,
Secretary-Treasurer.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

There are in the library 1,957 volumes. Forty-four new books were purchased in 1923. We also received a copy of *New Hampshire Beautiful*, by Nutting, as a gift from Mrs. Nellie Lake Foster of Waltham, Mass.

The usual books have been sent to us from the State.

New books for 1924 are being added.

SADIE A. LANGMAND,
Librarian.

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

July 1, 1922 to June 30, 1923

EXPENDITURES

Administration:	
Salaries of district officers	\$71.00
Superintendent's excess salary	62.50
Truant officers and school census	10.00
Expenses of administration	7.05
Instruction:	
Teachers' salaries	3,312.00
Text books	88.48
Scholars' supplies	92.53
Operation and Maintenance of School Plant:	
Janitor Service	\$90.00
Fuel	50.50
Water, light and janitors' supplies	30.92
Minor repairs and expenses	101.16
Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities:	
Medical inspection	\$50.00
Transportation of pupils	216.00
High School and Academy tuition	816.32
Elementary school tuition	144.00
Debt, Interest and Other Charges:	
Tax for state-wide supervision (\$2 per capita)	\$226.00
Total payments for all purposes	\$5,368.46

DETAIL OF EXPENDITURES

Paid:

C. M. Knowles, cleaning schoolhouse and vaults at Pine Ground	\$5.50
E. M. Bartlett, painting Kelley's and Bear Hill	25.00
Mabel Dame, teaching 4 weeks	56.00
Thelma Dutton, teaching 4 weeks	88.00
Alice Bennett, teaching 4 weeks	80.00
Frances Towle, teaching 4 weeks	72.00
Mildred Emerson, teaching 4 weeks	72.00
Mrs. Dan Reed, transportation 4 weeks	24.00
C. W. Edmunds, cleaning vaults at Center	2.00
Lyons and Carnahan, supplies	8.41
Colby Academy, tuition Fall term	20.00
Union School District, tuition for 9 pupils 1/2 year at Concord High School	247.50
Thelma Dutton, teaching 4 weeks	88.00
Mabel Dame, teaching 4 weeks	56.00
Alice Bennett, teaching 4 weeks	80.00
Mildred Emerson, teaching 4 weeks	72.00
Frances Towle, teaching 4 weeks	72.00
Ralph Sanborn	1.00
Milton Bradley Co., supplies	50.85
Hinds, Hayden & Eldridge, Inc., text books	3.42
Edward E. Babb & Co., supplies	2.25
C. W. Lake, paint for Kelley's Corner and Bear Hill	13.96
Orrin Marston, 1 cord kindlings for Pine Ground and Kelley's Corner	5.00
C. A. Langmaid, 1/2 cord slabs for Center	3.00
Mrs. Dan Reed, transportation 4 weeks	24.00
George W. Dow, supt. excess salary	62.50
E. C. Moses, 1 cord wood, fitted and put in at Center	9.50
Mrs. Dan Reed, transportation 4 weeks	24.00
Mabel Dame, teaching 4 weeks	56.00
Thelma Dutton, teaching 4 weeks	88.00
Alice Bennett, teaching 4 weeks	80.00

Frances Towle, teaching 4 weeks	72.00
Mildred Emerson, teaching 4 weeks	72.00
Howard Burton, janitor service 12 weeks	6.00
Gerald Edmunds, janitor service 12 weeks	6.00
Norman Rice, janitor service 12 weeks	6.00
Guy Mitchell, janitor service 12 weeks	6.00
Mildred Emerson, janitor service 12 weeks	6.00
Charles R. Call, glass, putty, labor at Horse Corner and Center Schools	3.65
Minnie Merrill, cleaning at Center	3.00
State Treasurer, per capita tax	226.00
Thelma Dutton, teaching 4 weeks	88.00
Mabel Dame, teaching 4 weeks	56.00
Alice Bennett, teaching 4 weeks	80.00
Frances Towle, teaching 4 weeks	72.00
Mildred Emerson, teaching 4 weeks	72.00
Mrs. Dan Reed, transportation 4 weeks	24.00
C. W. Emerson, stove-pipe at Center and putting in same	9.70
H. S. Kelley, oil, paint, broom, etc.	7.36
Milton Bradley Co., primary number work	2.48
Ginn & Co., new geography book, one and two	25.57
F. M. Ambrose & Co., business forms	11.02
R. E. Lane, enumeration cards	1.06
Charles R. Call, supplies for and labor on floor at Center	4.30
School District of Pembroke, tuition 14 weeks to December 22, 1922 (Hutchinson's)	28.00
Thelma Dutton, teaching 4 weeks	88.00
Alice Bennett, teaching 4 weeks	80.00
Mildred Emerson, teaching 4 weeks	72.00
Mrs. Dan Reed, transportation 4 weeks	24.00
Frances Towle, teaching 3 weeks	54.00
Mabel Dame, teaching 4 weeks	56.00
Blanche H. Edmunds, services, member of the School Board	20.00

Josephine C. Langmaid, services, member of School Board	20.00
C. W. Lake, services, member of the School Board	20.00
H. S. Kelley, treasurer	10.00
W. S. Langmaid, taking school census	10.00
School District of Pittsfield, tuition to Dec. 22, 1922, 1 pupil 13 weeks, 5 pupils 16 weeks	134.62
Elizabeth N. Shaw, auditor	1.00
Colby Academy, tuition winter term, Lawrence Perry	20.00
Edson & Eastman Co., school warrants	.24
Howard Burton; sawing and putting in two cords of wood	3.00
Howard Burton, janitor service 12 weeks	6.00
Gerald Edmunds, janitor service 12 weeks	6.00
Norman Rice, janitor service 12 weeks	6.00
Guy Mitchell, janitor service 12 weeks	6.00
Mildred Emerson, teaching 4 weeks	72.00
Mildred Emerson, janitor service 12 weeks	6.00
Mabel Dame, teaching 4 weeks	56.00
Thelma Dutton, teaching 4 weeks	88.00
Alice Bennett, teaching 4 weeks	80.00
Frances Towle, teaching 5 weeks	90.00
Mrs. Dan Reed, transportation 4 weeks	24.00
Blanche Edmunds, telephone charges and postage	1.00
A. E. Kempton, 1 cord wood at Bear Hill	9.00
Macmillan Co., text books	6.73
Standard Book Co., Inc., 12 Indian Story Hour	8.50
American Book Co., arithmetic books III, etc.	15.46
C. W. Lake, wood sawed at Center, slabs	13.75
Eddie Moses, $\frac{1}{2}$ cord wood, fitted at Center	4.75
George Evans, cleaning Horse Corner School	3.00
Mabel Dame, teaching 4 weeks	56.00
Thelma Dutton, teaching 4 weeks	88.00
Alice Bennett, teaching 4 weeks	80.00
Mildred Emerson, teaching 4 weeks	72.00
Frances Towle, teaching 4 weeks	72.00
Mrs. Dan Reed, transportation 4 weeks	24.00

American Book Co., text books	9.85
Kenney Bros. & Walkins, scholars supplies	12.36
Mabel Dame, teaching 4 weeks	56.00
Thelma Dutton, teaching 4 weeks	88.00
Mildred Emerson, teaching 4 weeks	72.00
Alice Bennett, teaching 4 weeks	80.00
Frances Towle, teaching 4 weeks	72.00
Mrs. Dan Reed, transportation 4 weeks	24.00
Colby Academy, tuition Spring term	15.00
Edward Welch, repairs at Horse Corner	5.50
Union School District, tuition for 8 pupils	220.00
Mabel Dame, teaching 4 weeks	56.00
Thelma Dutton, teaching 4 weeks	88.00
Alice Bennett, teaching 4 weeks	80.00
Mildred Emerson, teaching 4 weeks	72.00
Frances Towle, teaching 4 weeks	72.00
Mrs. Dan Reed, transportation 4 weeks	24.00
Leon Sanborn, janitor supplies	3.36
Pittsfield School District, tuition for 5 pupils	159.20
F. T. Johnson, expenses of administration	4.75
Edward E. Babb & Co., scholars supplies	16.18
Ginn & Company, text books	7.93
Perley Harvey, fitting wood at Bear Hill	1.50
Gerald Edmunds, janitor service 12 weeks	6.00
Mildred Emerson, janitor service 12 weeks	6.00
Norman Rice, janitor service 12 weeks	6.00
Howard Burton, janitor service 12 weeks	6.00
Sybil Mitchell, janitor service 12 weeks	6.00
L. D. Gilmore, M. D., medical inspection	50.00
B. M. Glassy, Pembroke School, tuition	116.00
George W. Lake, 15 gallons paint @ \$3.05	45.75

Total Expense

\$5,368.46

JOSEPHINE C. LANGMAID,
CHARLES W. LAKE,
MARY S. EDMUNDS,
School Board.

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the School District of Chichester and find them correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers.

BLANCHE H. EDMUNDS,
Auditor.

A true Copy:

JOSEPHINE C. LANGMAID.

REPORT OF SCHOOL TREASURER

For the year ending June 30, 1923

Received of:	
Selectmen, voted by town	\$5,754.00
Selectmen, per capita tax	226.00
Selectmen, dog license	142.70
State Treasurer, equalization	36.64
Union School District, rebate	18.82
C. W. Edmunds, windows	4.00
Town of Pittsfield, tuition	108.00
Town of Epsom, tuition	108.00
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	\$6,398.16
Cash on hand July 1, 1922	120.24
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Grand total	\$6,518.40
Paid on orders drawn by School Board	5,368.46
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Cash on hand June 30, 1923	\$1,149.94

HARRY S. KELLEY,
School Treasurer.

I hereby certify that I have examined the financial accounts of the Treasurer of the School District for the year ending June 30, 1923 and find them correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers.

BLANCHE H. EDMUNDS,
Auditor.

August 3, 1923.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board of Chichester:

The Superintendent of Schools submits for your consideration the following report.

Because of the change in superintendents last summer it is impossible for this report to cover completely the work of the school year 1922-23. Its aims will be to state briefly the most important information at hand in regard to the schools for that period, to summarize the progress of the first half of the present school year, and to point out some important steps that should be taken in the future.

In regard to the schools of last year the accompanying statistical table lists the schools that were open, the names of the teachers and their salaries, the number of half-days each school was in session, the number of half-days lost by each school because of holidays, teachers' institutes, bad weather, etc., the number of weeks each school was in session, and the total enrollment, average membership, average attendance, per cent. of attendance and number of tardinesses for each school. By comparing this table with the one in last year's report it is interesting to note that the total enrolment for all schools was five less than for the previous year, the average membership was 4.1 more, the average attendance 2.4 more, the per cent. of attendance 1.9% less, and the number of tardinesses 69 less. Considering the severity of the weather last winter the drop in per cent. of attendance is not surprising and the effort that brought about such a decrease in tardiness under such conditions is highly commendable. A still better record ought to be made this year. The habit of being on time is a valuable one.

In the honor roll we find one pupil with perfect attendance for the full year as compared with none for the year before.

The following pupils completed the elementary school work last June:

Bear Hill—Guy Mitchell.

Center—Beatrice Grady.

Horse Corner—Donald Swain.

During the summer a few repairs were made such as cleaning, painting and shingling. Nowhere will one find a better example of the remarkable improvement in lighting conditions by the painting of walls and ceiling than at the Pine Ground. When school opened in the fall the room was most distressingly dark and dungeon-like. Now it is pleasant and cheerful and the attitude of the teacher and pupils has immeasurably improved. The ceiling and floor at Horse Corner were similarly improved but the walls need attention, also. Nearly all of the schoolhouses have far too little light and with dark colored walls a large part of the light that does get in is absorbed instead of being reflected about the room.

What should be done in the way of repairs with the Kelley's Corner and Pine Ground schoolhouses is a question that must be answered by the voters of Chichester in the immediate future. Several citizens have truthfully remarked to the superintendent within the last few months that the sheds at these two schools are "a disgrace to the town" and the schoolhouses themselves are in a condition not much better. The scheme of building a modern two-room schoolhouse near the junction of the Bear Hill and the State roads and consolidating the Kelley's Corner, Bear Hill and Pine Ground schools should be carefully considered.

All the desks at the Center and at Horse Corner are too large except for the largest children. While sitting the smaller children cannot touch the floor with their feet and the desks are nearly as high as their shoulders. When they write they sit on one foot in order to reach. This condition is exceedingly bad for their physical development. A few smaller desks should be procured to accommodate them.

A carefully studied policy of progressive development of school buildings and schoolrooms should be adopted. In addition to the minor repairs such as cleaning, oiling of floors, painting, and shingling that should be made *every* year, a few hundred dollars should be invested in such improvements as new desks, blackboards, schoolroom heaters, chemical toilets, and remodeling. If Chichester boys and girls are to have opportunities equal to those for boys and girls in other parts of the state and country, this must be done.

During the first half of the present school year some changes have been necessary in the teaching staff. Although the school work was somewhat disturbed by these changes the rapid progress being made since the changes will more than make up for any handicaps. The rural towns in New Hampshire that have as efficient teaching forces as Chichester are few indeed. The District may justly be proud of its teachers. The following table shows what schools are open, the teachers and their salaries, and the total enrolment and the total present membership of each school as well as the total enrolment and total present membership for the whole town.

TABLE

School	Teacher	Weekly Salary	Total Enroll- ment	Present Mem- bership
Kelley's Corner	Mildred Emerson	\$18	12	11
Pine Ground	Thelma Daniels	22	31	24
Bear Hill	Loretta Jeanotte	24	13	11
Center	Frances Towle	21	21	20
Horse Corner	Eva L. Jordan (13 wks.)	18		
	Catherine McKay	24	10	10
Totals			87	76

In November, 1923, uniform tests in arithmetic and spelling were given to the children, nearly five thousand in numbers, in the eighth grades in all New Hampshire public schools. The spelling test was one which has been given in a number of city school systems with an average rank of about 74%. The average of the entire state was 67.42%. For the twenty-one eighth grade pupils in Chichester who took the test the average was 46.2%.

The arithmetic test was the same as was given in 1846 to pupils in the Springfield, Massachusetts, High School. The Springfield *ninth* grade average in 1846 was 29.41%. The New Hampshire *eighth* grade average in 1923 was 49.29%, and the Chichester average for the nineteen pupils who took the test was 57.9%.

In order to find out how Chichester pupils compare with those elsewhere standard tests in the fundamentals were given during the fall term to all pupils in the fourth to the eighth grades. Similar standard tests should be given at least every two years to measure the efficiency of the instruction.

Teachers' meetings are held monthly except December and March to work on problems common to all the schools. The most important one confronting us at the present time is the working out of a program of studies much more in detail than that suggested by the state. Each teacher should have an outline of the work to be covered in each subject in each grade. At the September meeting the teachers organized themselves as a group to make some progress with this work. At the present time it is well under way but it is a stupendous task which cannot be completed in a single year nor in two years.

With this evolution of a definite detailed program of studies should go a progressive plan of adoption of up-to-date textbooks. A pupil studying United States History from a book printed in 1916 is likely to lack a sufficient understanding of America's part in the affairs of today.

The physical examinations in the schools reveal the fact that many pupils are suffering from physical defects that can easily be prevented and possibly cured by proper physical exercises and health instruction. A carefully planned course in physical education should be adopted to meet this condition. In several states a certain amount of physical training each week is required by law.

If parents, teachers, pupils and school officials continue as in the past to work together, to do in co-operation, Chichester citizens will continue to be justly proud of Chichester schools. Let us make those words our motto: DO IN CO-OPERATION.

Respectfully submitted,

L. B. BADGER,

Superintendent of Schools.

Pittsfield, N. H., Feb. 6, 1924.

STATISTICAL TABLE
For Year Ending June 30, 1923

SCHOOL	TEACHER	Annual Salary	Number of Half-day Sessions	Number of Half-days Lost	Number of Weeks	Total Enrollment	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per Cent. of Attendance	Number of Tardinesses
Kelley's Corner	Mildred Emerson	\$648	339	21	36	14	11	10	91	14
Pine Ground	E. Alice Bennett	720	344	16	36	23	21.9	19.9	91	45
Bear Hill	Frances Towle	648	344	16	36	12	11.7	10.7	91	61
Center	Thelma Dutton	792	338	22	36	22	18.5	17.2	92.7	24
Horse Corner	Mabel Dame	504	334	26	36	14	13	11.5	89	49
Totals						85	76.1	69.3	91.1	193

ROLL OF HONOR

Pupils neither Absent nor Tardy for the Year ending June 30, 1923.

CENTER
Melvin Whitehouse

VITAL STATISTICS

Births Registered in the Town of Chichester, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1923.

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Sex and condition			Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Color of Parents	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
			Sex	Living or Stillborn	No. of Child							
1922												
July 16	Chichester.	Charles.....	M		3	Charles Welch	Josephine Griffin ..	All white	Loudon.....	Farmer	East Concord...	Concord
1923												
Feb. 7	"	Priscilla	F		2	John E. Walker ...	Angie L. Hall		Chichester ...	Carpenter ...	Switzerland	Casco, Me.
22	"	Edward Charles...	M		3	Doran C. Sanborn.	Ethel B. Harvey ...		"		Chichester	Freeport, Me.
Mar. 26	"	Irene Lois	F		2	Frank B. Hatch ...	Ruby N. Mason		"		Wells, Me.	Epsom,
May 20	"	George Vernette Jr.	M		2	George V. Evans ...	Daisy S. Packer ...		"	Section Hand..	Central Falls,R.I.	Apponaug, R. I. ..
June 17	"	Wilbert Francis ...	M		1	Charles T. Lane ...	Dorothy L. Farley ..		"	Farmer	Chichester	Hollis
July 10	"	Richard Arthur ...	M		4	Lemuel H. Mobbs ..	Ruth F. Griffin ...		"	Presser	Concord	Chichester
Aug. 17	"	Edwin Robert	M		1	Frank A. Hutchins'n	Elsie P. Wellman...		"	Farmer	Chichester	Newfoundland ..

I hereby certify that the above return is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

HARRY S. KELLEY, *Town Clerk.*

Marriages Registered in the Town of Chichester, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1923.

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Age	Color	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Occupation	No. Marriage	Name, Residence and Official Station of Person by whom married.
1923 June 23	Pembroke...	Clinton G. Daniels... Thelma E. Dutton...	Chichester... Epsom...	26 26	W W	Blacksmith... Teacher...	Tilton... Epsom...	George C. Daniels... Dora R. Dutton...	Sheffield, Vt... Tilton...	Housewife... Farmer...	1 1	Alfred T. Hillman Pembroke, N. H. Clergyman
*1922 Jan. 7	Chichester...	Bryant B. Call... Della J. Griffin...	Chichester... Chichester...	29 19	W A	At School... At Home...	Chichester... Chichester...	Water F. Call... Ettie M. Kelley... Oliver Griffin... Della Pichette...	Chichester... New Market... London... West Chazy, N. Y.	Carpenter... Housewife... Farmer... Housewife...	1 1 1 1	John H. Vincent Chichester, N. H. Clergyman

*The following was omitted in the report for the year ending December 31, 1922

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Deaths Registered in the Town of Chichester, for the Year Ending December 31, 1923

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name and Surname of deceased	Age			Place of Birth	Sex and condition		Occupation	Place of Birth		Name of Father	Maiden name of Mother
			Years	Months	Days		Sex	Color		Father	Mother		
Jan. 9	Chichester.....	Mary A. S. Sanborn.....	90	6	28	Chichester.....	F	W	Housewife	Brentwood.....	Pittsfield.....	William Swain.....	Sally Drake.....
Jan. 20	"	Maria A. Sanborn.....	54	6	1	Loudon.....	F	S	Retired	Chichester.....	Chichester.....	Truc Sanborn.....	Ruth L. Seavey.....
Apr. 24	"	William H. Jackson.....	84	1	1	Chichester.....	M	M	Barber	Loudon.....	Loudon.....	William Jackson.....	Ruth L. Seavey.....
May 11	"	George F. Bailey.....	65	11	1	Chichester.....	M	M	Farmer	Epping.....	Chichester.....	Madison Bailey.....	Mary Ann Sanborn.....
June 27	"	Thomas F. Stevens.....	64	8	22	St. Johnsbury, Vt.....	M	M	Housewife	Salisbury.....	Chichester.....	D. S. Stevens.....	Abbie Stevens.....
Aug. 3	"	Maudie I. Payne.....	35	4	15	Chichester.....	F	M	"	Chichester.....	Chichester.....	Benjamin Stevens.....	Lucy Towle.....
Aug. 25	"	Annie L. Saurley.....	63	3	10	Raymond.....	F	M	"	Chichester.....	Haverhill, Mass.....	Jonathan Cass.....	Sarah R. Lakin.....
Nov. 4	"	Lavinia J. Perkins.....	80	1	3	Chichester.....	F	M	"	Chichester.....	Sandwich.....	Carpanter Stevens.....	Eliza Sherburne.....
Nov. 23	"	Sarah R. Towle.....	62	10	14	Pittsfield.....	F	M	"	Chichester.....	Sandwich.....	Jonathan Lake.....	Eliza Sherburne.....
" 27	"	Bessey W. Burnham.....	69	3	2	Pittsfield.....	F	M	"	Chichester.....	England.....	John Fellows.....	Mary Richardson.....
Dec. 13	"	Edward Cousins.....	66	3	1	Canada.....	M	S	Moulder	England.....	England.....	William Cousins.....	Ursula Webster.....
Bodies brought to Chichester for burial.													
Jan. 6	Brookfield, Mass.	Louis Pomeroy.....	46	11	1	Chichester.....	M	All white	"	"	"	"	"
Mar. 8	Waltham, Mass.	Nettie M. Knowles.....	72	10	12	Epsom.....	F	M	Clergyman	Northwood.....	Deerfield.....	William Foss.....	Sallie Marston.....
Sept. 22	Warner.....	George A. Foss.....	83	10	17	Northwood.....	M	M	"	Chichester.....	Chichester.....	Joseph Morrill.....	Lydia Morrill.....
Nov. 8	Pittsfield.....	Ann Maria Edmunds.....	88	6	29	Chichester.....	F	M	RR Employ	Chichester.....	Chichester.....	John F. Marston.....	Perlina Sherburne.....
" 17	"	John F. Marston.....	79	8	24	Chichester.....	M	All white	"	"	"	"	"

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HARRY S. KELLEY, Town Clerk.

